

Journal of a Whaling Voyage to the Sea

Wednesday Oct. 17th A.D. 1855.

First part light breeze from S.W. and pleasant steering E. by S. all sail out Dist. run 83 miles S. by E. 2 S. E. by S. course Middle and latter parts a fine fresh breeze from S.W. and pleasant ship going E. as far as possible sail out the watch employ in ships duties saw nothing so ends day
Lat. by Obs. 42.07 N
Long. by Obs. 155.00 W

Thursday Oct. 18th

First part a fresh breeze from S.W. and overcast weather steering East by compass saw nothing Middle part brisk gale from W.N.W. and overcast weather steering E. by S. under S. R. topsails latter part at day light made sail topsails main top gallant sail so ends this day Lat. by Obs. 40.35 N
Long. by Chron. 163.06 W

Friday Oct. 19th

First part strong wind from N.W. and pleasant steering E. by S. under all sail 2 standing sails out saw nothing Middle and latter parts strong wind steering E. by S. all sail out the watch employ in ships duties saw nothing so ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 38.35 N
Long. by Chron. 169.57 W

Saturday Oct. 20th

First part fresh breeze from N.W. and pleasant steering E. by S. with the oil for the 2nd time and found the ship leaks a little Dist. run 200 miles S. E. 2 S. Middle and latter parts light breeze from S.W. and fine weather steering S. E. by E. 2 S. all sail out the watch employ in ships duties so ends day Lat. by Obs. 37.20 N
Long. by Chron. 158.00 W

Sunday Oct. 21st

All this day fine fresh breeze from N.W. and pleasant weather steering S. E. by E. all sail out the ship went the last at hour 10th miles S. E. 2 S. saw a fin back so ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 35.25 N
Long. by Chron. 155.45 W

Monday Oct. 22nd

All this day fresh breezes from N.W. with pleasant weather steering S. E. by S. all sail out Dist. run 160 miles S. E. 2 S. at 7 A.M. all hands employ in drying Bone and sending up fore royal mast and changing the main so ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 33.20 N
Long. by Chron. 154.21 W

of Ochotsk by John I. Barstow October 1855

Tuesday Oct. 23rd A.D. 1855.

This day light wind and pleasant weather steering S. E. all sail out 3 royal and 2 topsails the ding sails out all hands employ in drying Bone &c &c Lat. by Obs. 31.20
Long. by Chron. 155.00

Wednesday Oct. 24th

First part fresh breeze from N.W. E. and pleasant weather steering S. E. 3 royal and 3 standing sails out at 4 P.M. saw a ship to leeward Middle part carried away the jibb Boom in a squall shortened sail to topsails and courses latter part strong S. E. wind and pleasant weather steering S. E. under S. R. topsails under all the Carpenters employed in making a jibb Boom saw nothing the 24 hours previous the Dist run was 132 miles
Lat. by Obs. 28.43 N
Long. by Chron. 154.13 W

Thursday Oct. 25th

Dist run 154 miles S. E. First part strong S. E. wind and pleasant weather steering S. E. under S. R. topsails the watch employ in making a jibb Boom Middle and latter parts strong Trade from N. E. by E. and pleasant weather ship under S. R. topsails steering S. E. the watch employed on the jibb Boom at 10 A.M. got ready to send it out saw nothing so ends this day Lat. by Obs. 26.43 N
Long. by Chron. 153.23 W

Friday Oct. 26th

All this day light breeze from E. S. E. and pleasant weather steering South all sail out the watch employ in fitting and setting up the jibb Boom, rigging and other work Dist run 135 miles saw nothing the watch employ in ships duties so ends this day Lat. by Obs. 24.20 N
Long. by Chron. 153.37 W

Saturday Oct. 27th

This day light wind from E. S. E. and pleasant steering South Dist run 144 miles S. E. by E. at 7 A.M. all hands employ in washing ship inside Lat. by Obs. 22.16 N
Long. by Chron. 154.11 W

Sunday Oct. 28th

All this day light breeze from E. S. E. and fine weather steering S. E. by E. at 4 P.M. finished washing ship at 2 A.M. hour & under short sail at 6 A.M. top of N.W. all sail out at 7 A.M. raised Chyhee bearing S. W. and rest of main bearing S. W. by W. so ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 21.00 N
Long. by Chron. 153.21 W